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Mario Meggiolan

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A CONNECTOR ELEMENT FOR CONNECING FRAME PARTS AT A JOINT LOCATION IN A BICYCLE FRAMEWORK AND CONNECTOR ELEMENT OBTAINED THEREBY

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enclosed) in a counterpart foreign application.

Reference AF is identified in the Search Report as category A. The reference is provided in the Spanish language with an accompanying English language abstract.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating his consideration of the cited materials.

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